

From

Helen Ginsberg
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after Oct 17

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Please Forward

via Robert Markle
if necessary

Dr. Timothy Leary

"Somewhere in Federal Prison System"

To John Russell

Public Relations

Attorney General's Office

Washington, D.C.

437 E 12 St.

New York City, N.Y.

Mar 4, 1976

Dear Tim:

Having been out of touch I called lawyer Bill Choulos to inquire your status about ten days ago, he told me of the then parole deadlock, and Michael Horowitz called me 2 days ago to report denial of parole, [&] which I read in the N.Y. Times briefly and saw announced in mangled version on T.V. I called Ken Babbs for news, he gave me your address. I've been out of touch because, as you advised maybe a year ago, my efforts seemed mis-placed.

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I don't know who your lawyer is now, and I don't know the history of your arrangements with the various people in Government you've been dealing with. So I'm writing somewhat in the dark. I don't know whether this letter will reach you: I've told Babbs and lawyer Choulos I'd write you, and sent previous message 10 days ago to Choulos, saying I was still waiting on the sidelines for some word from you if I could be of any help; or use, in yr. situation

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Charles was not sure a letter would get thru to you.
Please write or phone me - my mailing address
P.O. B. 582 Stuyvesant Station N.Y. 10009. N.Y.
212-7776786. My father is ill, and
if I'm not at home I'll be with him in
Paterson N.J. 201- 523-6606.

Jra Lowe's address is 2700 Que Street,
Washington D.C. 20007. Phone 202-483-6777.
He has been working with me this year re. Freedom
of Information act, and I've received several
hundred pages of my dossiers from DEA, CIA, FBI
etc. Very little mention of your name - I haven't
been given complete files -

Harvey Silverplate is still holding several
hundred dollars of the retainer ~~given~~ given him over the
Proposed Habeas Corpus action, + that money could
be used for any legal action or fees, or a trip
by Jra Lowe to see you - he's willing to
pay a visit for costs.

First Blues, recent book of songs I published,
was sent you - did you get it? I'm working on
Vajrayana practices with Trunpa, and will be all
summer teaching at Naropa Institute.

A call from Joanna would be welcome, with
recent information. I think it be more efficient
if Michael Horowitz, or Lowe or someone I'll look
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Allen - Allen Ginsberg Turn over
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in jail for you if no other lawyers or group
of friends PEN etc organize To help you.

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